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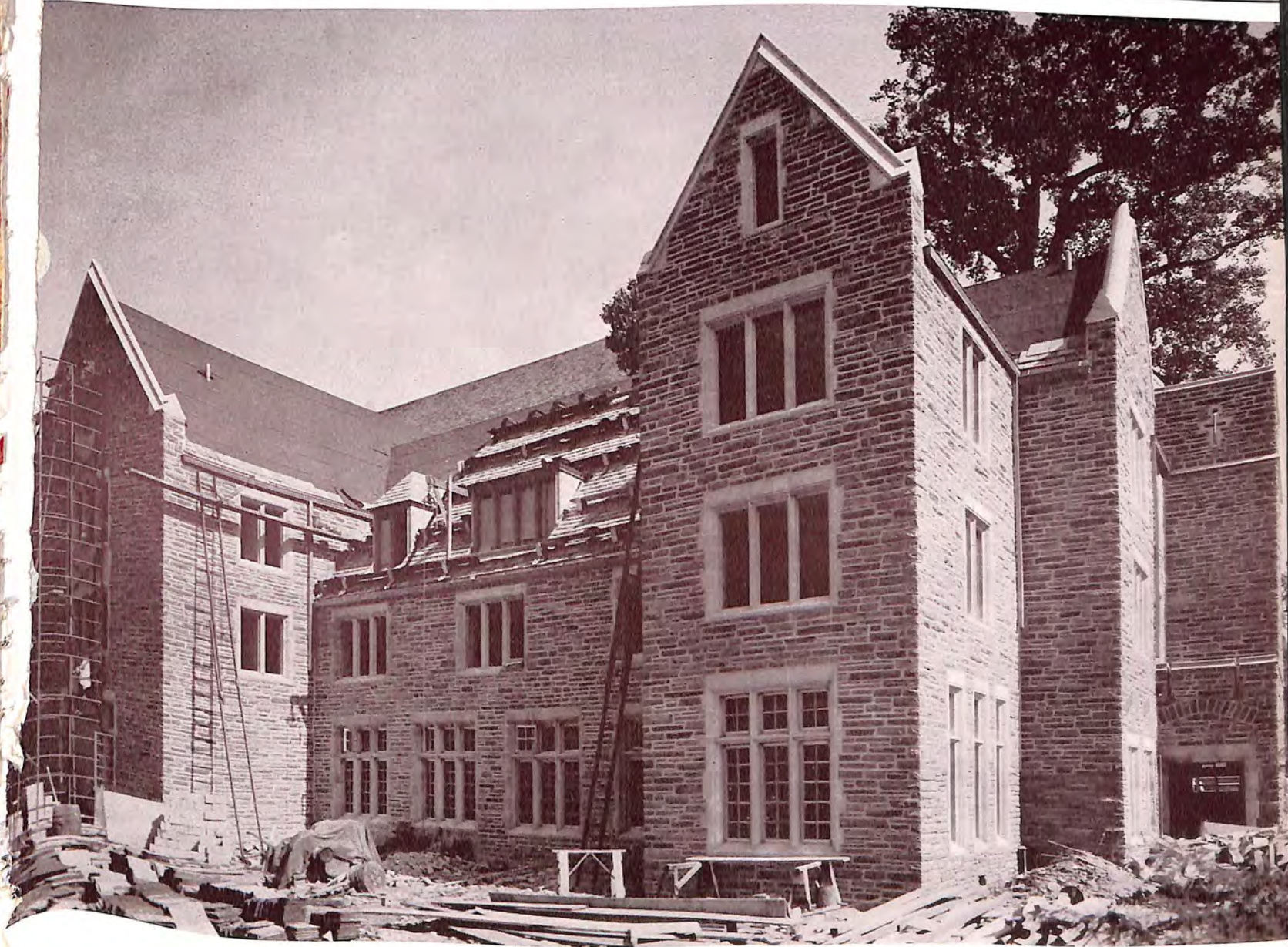
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GROWING ENROLLMENT AND EXPANDING FACILITIES REQUIRE LARGER SEMINARY SUPPORT

By THE VERY REV. FRANK D. GIFFORD

Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School

Theological Education Sunday, which will be January 25, 1953, continues to be a fruitful means of arousing our people to the importance of greater support for our seminaries. However, despite the resolutions of General Convention, more than half of our congregations failed to take an annual offering for this purpose. Many parishes have given very small amounts compared to their financial ability. In 1951 the Philadelphia Divinity School received only \$18,621.17 from parish offerings, although the annual budget of the School was nearly seven times as great.

At one of the annual meetings of the Deans of our Theological Schools it was stated that those schools should be enlarged which meet the following conditions: (1) They should be well located in centers of Church population where there is local interest and support; (2) They should enjoy good transportation facilities; (3) They should be near large educational centers, such as universities or colleges; (4) They should be so situated that students can gain practical parish experience and training in social institutions. It so happens that the Divinity School in Philadelphia meets all these conditions and therefore should be enlarged and strengthened to meet the great need of the growing Church.

The New Building

The new Memorial Building at the Divinity School, shown on the cover of this magazine, is almost completed and will be ready for use in January. Already the faculty and students are looking forward eagerly to the great advantages of the new class rooms and lecture halls. No longer will it be necessary to hold classes in all sorts of places in various buildings. Facilities

will be provided for sufficient class rooms to enable the school to care for a much larger student body. Twenty additional rooms are provided for students who will live and board at the school.

This building has been erected by the generous gifts of many friends. However, the Trustees have been obliged to borrow over \$60,000 on mortgage to complete the building and this has increased the total indebtedness to nearly \$95,000. It is confidently expected that many parishes and individuals will assist the School by furnishing rooms in the building. A student's bedroom may be furnished with the necessary things for \$175. Already five rooms have been promised according to this plan.

Twenty-eight new students enrolled at the Divinity School for the Michaelmas Term. The total enrollment was 105, which included 20 Seniors, 22 Middlers, 28 Juniors, 24 graduate students, and 3 special students.

Clergy Training and Church Growth

The Joint Commission on Theological Education says in a recent publication: "Our Church cannot grow unless steps can be taken to supply Clergy for the 688 unmanned Churches financially able to support Clergy, for the many vacancies in the Mission Field, for Chaplains in the Armed Forces, for college and school work, and for faculty positions in the Church Seminaries."

It is further stated that 40% of our Clergy have not been trained in our own theological schools, having come from other denominations and from foreign countries. Also it is said that for more than thirty years there have

been hundreds of vacancies in our Churches without adequate provision having been made for the growth of the Church. It seems ridiculous to these laymen to invest millions in mission fields and in evangelistic programs without making adequate provision for trained spiritual manpower and leadership.

This year all our schools will graduate 300 men prepared for ordination, which is the largest number ever graduated. The present shortage however, is estimated to be 688, while if the schools continue to produce 300 per year, in the year 1955 we shall need 915 additional Clergy as compared to the present shortage of 688. Also at least 300 more men would be needed if we are to supply Clergy for the Armed Forces, for teaching positions in schools and colleges, and for the Mission Fields.

Magnitude of the Problem

The 1952 Report of the Commission on Theological Education states that the Church leaders are waking up to the vital necessity of recruiting and training more Clergy and for better financial support for our Divinity Schools, but that our people are not yet aware of the magnitude of the problem. They do not realize that, because of the clergy shortage, many Bishops and Examining Chaplains have been under pressure to lower the standards of education and personal qualification for the ministry. Our Church has relied entirely too much on taking in men from other religious bodies and on ordaining men with inadequate theological training.

Our ten long-established Seminaries have had to enlarge their student bodies

in recent years. The growth of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific and the establishment of a new Seminary in Texas are matters of vital importance to the whole Church. All our Schools need money for current expenses and for their buildings and facilities.

Churchmanship and Scholarship

It is impossible to carry on any advance program without some adverse criticism. In one day recently the Dean of the Philadelphia Divinity School received two letters. One was a complaint that the School was too "Low Church" with not enough emphasis on things dear to those who call themselves "Anglo-Catholics." The other was a criticism of the School for being too "High Church."

The truth of the matter is that the Divinity School in Philadelphia is not a "party School" in the sense that it represents just one point of view or school of thought in the Church. Some of our seminaries do represent one party and emphasize some phase of churchmanship. It is the general purpose of the Philadelphia School to prepare men to serve as parish priests able and willing to minister in any kind of parish or mission. All members of the faculty have had parochial experience and all are determined to emphasize the important things on which all Churchmen are united rather than differences of opinion. Sound doctrine, real scholarship, Prayer Book loyalty, and personal religion are the ideals of the School, together with an active missionary spirit. The Chapel services are strictly in accordance with the Book of Common Prayer. No extremes of ritual or informality are permitted. Students are expected to differ in their own customs of worship but all are taught to respect and honor the opinions and customs of their fellows. Chapel preachers come from all schools of thought and special lecturers also represent a wide range of Churchmanship.

The Faculty

There have been several faculty changes. Miss Maude C. Cutler, Director of St. Mary's House and Instructor in Religious Education, has become Associate Director of Windham House in New York. The Rev. Dr. Nelson W. Rightmyer, Professor of Church History, has accepted a rectorship in the Diocese of Maryland. The classes in religious education are now being taught by the Rev. Peter Van der Hiel, Rector of St. George's, Ardmore, and Chairman of the Department of

Religious Education of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and by the Rev. Norman C. Farnlof, Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Philadelphia. Mr. Farnlof served last year as Instructor in Pastoral Theology. The courses in Church History are well cared for by the Rev. Joseph H. Hall, A.M., Th.D., Assistant Professor of Church History, and by the Rev. Wm. W. Manross, Ph.D., Librarian of The Church Historical Society and author of *A History of the American Episco-*

pal Church. The Rev. Charles E. Finch, A.M., B.D., former Rector of The Redeemer, Andalusia, Pa., is now serving as Instructor in New Testament and Theology. The Rev. C. Francis Allison, rector of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Pa. an expert in the rural field, will teach the course on *The Town and Country Church*. Also the Rev. Alfred W. Price, D.D., rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, will continue as Lecturer in the course on *The City Church*.

Bishop Hart's Message



1953 can be a memorable year in the life of the Diocese if we take full advantage of the Christian Living Conferences in January and February. We are hoping that at least seventy-five per cent of our Vestrymen will be present for the three nights. In addition to the Vestrymen, there should be a representative cross section of the lay leadership, both men and women, from each parish.

Within the Episcopal Church, the Prayer Book way of life provides us with the axis around which our life should revolve. Specifically, this means that the living Gospel and man's great need for the faith experience of living in relationship to this Gospel is our primary concern. The natural relationship of life, particularly within one's own family and the fellowship of the parish church, are channels in which a response to the Gospel may be found. Without minimizing the importance of man's personal relationship to God, we accept as basic the relationship which man must have to his Redeemer in the fellowship of the Church. The Church has the unique and specific task of responding to the action of God the Holy Ghost as He strengthens us through the fellowship of God's people. Every valid activity of the practicing Christian stems from, or is related to, the Body of Christ, the

Church. Therefore, all programs and activities of the Parish should have built into them this relationship to the fellowship as a whole. The Prayer Book way of life is a way which enables man to approach God in relation to all of his desires, interests, problems, joys and sorrows. Obviously the Training Team, which will have charge of these Conferences, can't make our parishes more vital but under their leadership we can receive help as to how, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we can do it.

I am happy to note, as I go about the Diocese, that our men and women, who are serving in the Armed Forces, are remembered in the prayers of the congregation. I suggest that wherever possible, the Service Cross be presented to each man and woman going into the Armed Forces. This could, in many cases, be done in the presence of the congregation. These crosses can be secured at the Church House. I would like to see every Parish have a definite plan for keeping in touch with those in the Armed Forces. This should not be left to the Rector alone.

May 1953 be a grand year for your parish!

YOUR BISHOP

Oliner Hart

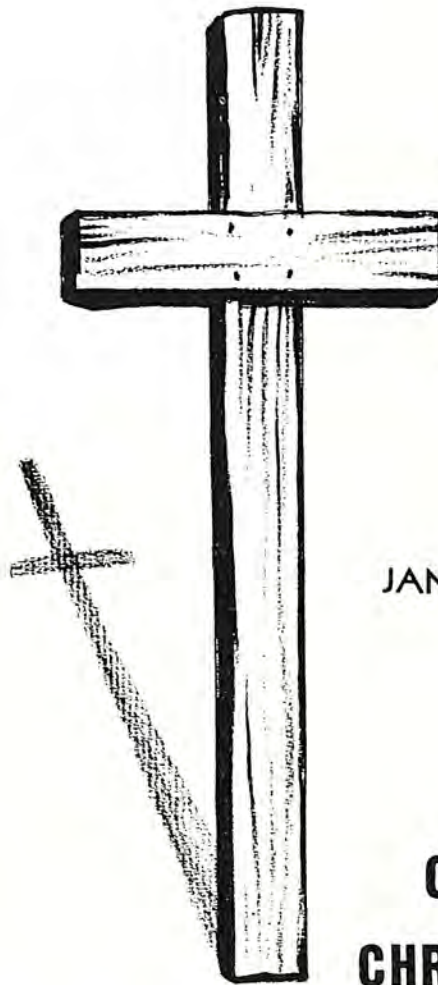
EPISCOPAL HOSPITAL IS 100 YEARS OLD

The culmination of several events marking the 100th Anniversary of The Episcopal Hospital was a banquet attended by almost a thousand persons in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel Monday evening, December 8. Bishop Hart said grace, a communication was read from the President of the United States, the Governor of Pennsylvania was in attendance and presented his greetings in person.

Guests of honor were introduced by Mr. R. Alexander Montgomery, vice-president of the Board of Managers and chairman of the Centennial Committee. Mr. Laurence H. Eldredge, president of the Board of Managers, gave an interesting history of the hospital's founding and development. Dr. Howard A. Rusk, who served part of his internship at the hospital, and who is now director of the Institute for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, New York University-Bellevue Medical Center in New York, spoke of the technical and spiritual contribution made by the hospital. Mr. Thomas B. McCabe, former chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, cited the Episcopal Hospital as an illustration of the part played by private philanthropy in developing Philadelphia into a great medical center.

St. Peter's Choir, under the direction of Mr. Harold W. Gilbert, sang four selections. Portraits of Bishop Hart and Mr. Eldredge were unveiled. They will be hung in the corridors of the hospital where similar pictures of former presidents of the Board of Managers are to be found. Bishop Hart last years retired as president; but is still a member of the board. Most of these presidents have been the bishops of Pennsylvania. A recent change in the charter of the hospital provides for a layman as president, and Mr. Eldredge now serves in that capacity.

Many parishes and missions in the diocese continue to send their Thanksgiving Day offerings to the hospital for the support of the Chaplain who is a clergyman of our church. We may all feel proud of what has been accomplished in our name since the beginning under Bishop Alonzo Potter, when the hospital had 24 beds in 1852. This capacity has now increased to 500 beds.



*"...when two
or three are
gathered
together..."*

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Diocese of Pennsylvania

What Are the Christian Living Conferences?

1. They are planned to make our parish a stronger and better parish.
2. They are planned to show us the "power of a really Christian congregation."
3. They hope to accomplish this by—
 - a. Clearing up many questions people have been asking as to **WHY** the Church has not been able to speak more strongly to a bewildered world.
 - b. Showing us **HOW** the Church can speak more meaningfully to a perplexed world.
4. These Conferences will not revolutionize our parish overnight—but they will show us how to plan seriously for a stronger Christian Church in the future . . . and what part each one of us can play in accomplishing this.

From the success that the Team has had in other Dioceses there is no doubt in our minds that the members of our Church in our Diocese will support the Conferences to the limit of their ability in order to strengthen the Church in our Diocese.

When and Where Conferences Meet

- January 4-7 Trinity Church,
Oxford
Oxford Avenue and Disston Street
- January 8-11 St. John's Church
27 E. Airy Street, Norristown
- January 13-16 Germantown Academy
School Lane and Greene Street
- January 18-21 Holy Trinity Church
High and Union Streets, West Chester
- January 22-25 St. Mary's Church
Ardmore Avenue, Ardmore
- January 27-29 St. James Church
Bellevue Avenue, Langhorne
- January 30-February 2 Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne
and Baltimore Avenues, Lansdowne
- February 12-15 Church of The Holy Apostles and The Mediator, 51st and Spruce Streets

Persons desiring further information may contact their rectors, parish representatives, or Room 30, Church House.



Celestial Country

BY BURTON CHANCE, M.D.

Class of '85, Episcopal Academy

At a recent Academy "service" as we walked out of the church behind the choir singing the well-known and beloved hymn telling of "Jerusalem, the Golden," my thoughts rushed back to the time when I learned those hymns describing the "Celestial Country."

When I was nine years old, I was admitted to the choir of Christ Church Chapel, at 19th and Pine Streets, joining my brother, who had been in the choir for a year or so. It was a small band of twelve boys. On Sundays there were three services: morning, evensong at 4 or 5 o'clock, and night service at 8. There was much singing of hymns, many frequently repeated, becoming favorites. Among those were some which told of Heaven and of the rest in life hereafter. Among that group were several which ended in eight lines beginning with

"O sweet and blessed country,
The home of God's elect."

So often were these repeated that we could recite them entirely without the book.

In Lent, during that penitential season, there was held daily evensong. Repeatedly was sung

"The world is very evil
The times are waxing late,
Be sober and keep vigil,
The Judge is at the gate."

"Brief life is here our portion,
Brief sorrow, short-lived care,
The life that knows no ending,
The tearless life is there."

The tunes had been composed for them, and are those we sing today. So frequently were these verses repeated that we boys found ourselves quoting the words while at choir practice. The services at the Chapel were of the "High Church" order, and there was much teaching of church doctrine and learning of church history carried out in them. We appreciated that the verses of the Psalter were not the same as those of the Bible. We learned that the Psalms were those of an earlier version of the Scriptures, translated by Miles Coverdale, whose name is revered in the story of the Bible. The oldest

boy in the choir was not over fifteen; his name was Coverdale. The boy's name was Robert; but we called him "Miles."

We learned that all these, now popular hymns, had been written by "St. Bernard of Cluny," some time in the 1100's. So deeply had the hymns entered into my thoughts that I began to wonder who and what was "St. Bernard," and where was "Cluny." My delight can be imagined when someone gave me a small, very thin, purplish book entitled "The Rhythm of Bernard de Morlaix of the Celestial Country, translated by J. M. Neale."

That told the hymns had been taken from a Latin poem written some time about the middle of the Twelfth Century, and had been translated into English by the Rev. J. Mason Neale; published in 1858. The verses began "Hora novissima tempore pessima sunt; vigilemus! Ecce minaciter imminet Arbiter Ille supremus."

When I came to the Academy I learned that the hymns were sung frequently by the school at the daily services. Both Dr. Klapp and Mr. Anderson would talk to us about them. As a growing boy, I could not be expected to understand or enter into the meaning and significance of the verses expressing in poetical idiom the aspirations of both the Old and New Testaments' teachings. We learned that an invalid boy committed the whole of Neale's translation of the "Rhythm" to memory



and, in his last sickness, could repeat it before he died.

The little book was lost long ago. In a later edition many facts about the Monk, and of Cluny, were given. I had learned much about Bernard of Cluny from it. The poem is about 3,000 lines. It is in bitter satire on the corruption of the times, hence—"The World is very evil." As a contrast to that misery and corruption, Bernard describes the peace and glories of Heaven.

Bernard came from Morlaix, yet he was of English parentage. Cluny was in Brittany, a prominent medieval city built around a monastery of the Benedictine Order. The monastery was the richest in Europe, and was, perhaps, more influential than Rome itself. The Abbey was the most beautiful in France; the buildings lasted long after the dissolution of the monasteries. The Order had spread over the Continent, as that graceful building, known as Musée de Clunis in Paris is a remnant of a once great group.

Many editions of the original poem had been made when Neale undertook his translation of that part which has become so familiar and so dear to Anglican Churchmen.

It might be interesting to us at "Episcopal" to know that Horatio Parker, of Yale, composed an oratorio of "Hora Novissima" and that it was sung some time later by a chorus conducted by Selden Miller, an old Academy boy, who was for several years choir master and organist of the Academy.

"For thee, O dear, dear Country,
Mine eyes their vigil keep."

* * *

"The mention of Thy glory
Is unction to the breast,
And medicine in sickness,
And love and life and rest."

* * *

"O, sweet and blessed Country,
Shall I ever see Thy face?"

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"The Mansions of the Blessed,
The Prince is ever in them."

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"Exult, O dust and ashes!
His only, His forever,
Thou shalt be and Thou art."
"Yes! God my King and Portion,
In fullness of His grace,
We then shall see forever,
And worship face to face."

—Selections from the "Rhythm."

THE EPISCOPAL ACADEMY

The annual Christmas pageant of the Episcopal Academy was given on December 18th and 19th before capacity audiences of students, parents and friends of the Academy.

The pageant is put on in tableau form with the fifty-voice Chapel Choir and members of the Student Vestry singing or reading appropriate selections about the Nativity between scenes.

More than 150 boys and parents participate in this venture which is under the general direction of John N. Sumner. Make-up and costuming are under the supervision of Harry A. Harris, head of the Art Department. Most of the costumes are designed and made by a Mothers' Committee who have done a great deal in recent years to enhance the beauty of the pageant.

Lighting arrangements are under the guidance of Robert N. Neathery, head of the science department, while Hugh H. McClelland, choirmaster, is in charge of the choir.

The Lower School and Wetherill House mothers have organized themselves with each section being represented by a mother. Their first venture was a Christmas Sale featuring table decorations, gifts and Christmas ornaments.

Mothers have also been active in the operation of a Thrift Shop whereby outgrown clothing can be passed on to other boys.

For the fathers a Father and Son club has been organized. The purpose is to bring the boy, his father and the school into closer relationship. The club, which will eventually include all the fathers in the School, is being started around the athletic interests of the boys.

GOOD SHEPHERD, ROSEMONT

The Every Member Canvass at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Rosemont, was greatly stimulated by the voluntary help of Mr. Josef Daikeler, Sales Consultant, and head of Dyco Institute of Tested Selling. Mr. Daikeler, formerly a Bavarian, and a member of the Lutheran Church, believes in tithing not only his income, but also his time and effort in promoting Church work. Mr. Daikeler in addressing 50 canvassers of the Church of the Good Shepherd gave many valuable suggestions. Mr. Julien L. Eysmans, Jr., Chairman of the Every Member Canvass Committee, was instrumental in obtaining the services of Mr. Daikeler.



How God Shows Himself

A Meditation by

THE RT. REV. J. GILLESPIE ARMSTRONG
Suffragan Bishop of Pennsylvania

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth."

The Feast of the Epiphany means exactly what the word itself means—to show to, to show forth, to make manifest. What is being made manifest? "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." By this we mean that God Himself, God the Father, was made manifest in the person of the Son who was a man—who was "made" man, who was born of the Virgin Mary, of her flesh and her blood. Who was born, who lived, who suffered and who died. Jesus Christ was a man. It is also true that Jesus Christ was God; but we must not lose sight of the fact that Jesus was a man as well as God, and that His manhood was not diminished by His Godhead, nor was His Godhead diminished (or enhanced) by His manhood. "The Word was made flesh."

Can we not say that God, using human flesh as a medium, shows Himself; shows His very nature, shows His law, shows His love through human flesh? He dwells, as He dwelt in the flesh of Jesus of Nazareth, in human flesh. You are the temples of the Holy Spirit. In the very heart of the Communion Service, as we now know it in our beloved Communion, we say again and again "He in us and we in Him." We become "one" in the Body of Christ. Christ's Holy Spirit dwelling in man shows forth. Even as an infant, we are told, the Wise Men could see in the light of His eyes, the light of their God; in the smile of His lips, the smile of their God and in the touch of His hands, the healing love and power of God. All through Jesus Christ's life this was true. Men came, after seeing Him first as a person, as a teacher, as a rabbi, as a doer of miracles through

the Power of God, to say "My Lord and my God." But we forget when we come up to Christianity with the completed experience of the disciples, the apostles, that they first knew Him just as another human being like themselves. It was through the humanity, through the human Jesus, that they saw God and came to say "My Lord and my God."

It is quite different with you and with me. We ourselves have never had the tremendous privilege of knowing Jesus Christ as a living human being. We know Him in our hearts as the risen, living Son of God. We know Him only in the spirit and so there is no danger of our confusing His humanity and His Godhead. There is, however, some danger of our forgetting His humanity in our knowledge of Him in His Godhead. When we do so we lose sight of the importance, or at least one of the important aspects, of the Incarnation—that God moves in His manifesting, or showing, of Himself to human beings in this world through us: through the sons of God, through the children of God, through the Church. You and I have this tremendous gift and responsibility that we may so live—live close to Him: live close to Him in His Church, in prayer, in praise, in Sacrament—that we are filled by Him. "He in us and we in Him"—that we may become the medium through which He manifests Himself to the people of our city in our day. We can only show God to other men when we are living consecrated faithful daily lives; when we are living with Him in thought, in heart and in action. Isn't that what we mean when we say "Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be always acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer?"

Woman's AUXILIARY

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, *Editor*

President's Message

"O God, give us a mind to know Thee, a heart to love Thee, a will to obey Thee and power to perform the same, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, AMEN."

This is the prayer with which Mrs. Bryan Green prefaced her talk to the women of the Diocese on Friday afternoon, Nov. 28, in the Church of the Holy Trinity. As her theme, she chose Philippians 3:10:—"That I may know Him and the power of His Resurrection." This she developed by suggesting three ways by which we may "know Him."

1st: "Be still and know"—(Psalm 46:10.)

2nd: "If any man willeth to do His will, he shall know": (St. John 7:17)

3rd "Everyone that loveth, knoweth God": (I John 4:7)

Mrs. Green gave us something very precious to keep; a message from her heart and from her Christian experience, which met a response in our own hearts.

The invitation to meet Mrs. Green at Tea in the Church House met with such enthusiastic acceptance that the line extended out into the Square and the Bishop of the Diocese had to step in and keep us moving. It was an afternoon of inspiration and good fellowship.

We are very grateful for the bond of fellowship with our Mother Church through such friends as His Grace, the Archbishop of Canterbury and Mrs. Fisher, the Reverend and Mrs. Bryan Green and the Rev. Harold Frankham.

It was with a feeling of real but rather selfish regret that we realized that Wednesday, Nov. 26th was Mrs. R. Lockwood Jones last day in charge of the Woman's Auxiliary office. She has given herself so generously and efficiently and cheerfully to the many responsibilities and problems of that job we find it difficult adequately to express our gratitude. However, we rejoice with her in the reason for her resignation. On Saturday, December 20th at 4:30 P.M. in Old Christ

Church, she was married to Mr. Thomas M. Scott. Our congratulations and good wishes to the happy pair.

Deaconess Newbold, who has been so very generous about assisting in the office, was in charge during December. On Friday, January 2nd, Mrs. Edmund B. Wood will assume this responsibility. Mrs. Wood brings to her new task, rare gifts of personal commitment to the Church and experience in working under its Program. I know she will have the loyal support and cooperation of the women of the Diocese. This is our Office, and it is the responsibility of us all to make it truly useful.

May I suggest that we use the Prayer at the beginning of this message as our theme for the year ahead, with the intention of making 1953 a year of greater commitment to our task and greater joy in it.

ELIZABETH C. BEATH.

Toward More Christian Living

During January and February, the CHRISTIAN LIVING CONFERENCES are coming to certain areas in our Diocese. Their purpose is to help you and me to know more completely what it means to be a Christian.

You see, when Christianity began in Palestine many years ago, it did not begin with a new set of propositions to be believed, but with a new kind of life to be lived. It started with the announcement of a Kingdom that was not somewhere up in the clouds, but with a Kingdom that was "at hand," and it summoned every person to enter that Kingdom at once and to work for its expansion.

If the Church is to make itself felt as a spiritual power in today's world, it must be led by those who have an enthusiasm for and an interest in the intrinsic worth of every human soul. Almost two thousand years have gone by, and yet an impartial observer coming upon Christianity for the first time would be astonished at the little progress that has been made. Why don't we give up? The opposition is tremendous; thousands of voices are call-

ing people in other directions; so many demands are made on their time—movies, automobiles, television. What next?

The answer is that we don't give up because we dare not and can not give up. The greatest lesson the disciples learned from Jesus was not a doctrine but an influence, and the most lasting experience of their lives was the knowledge that they had been with Him.

Being a Christian is more than having our name entered on Parish Records. If our church membership costs us nothing, it is worth nothing.

The Department of Christian Education of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary had organized a team of key women available for helping parishes prepare for these Conferences about to be held. Parish presidents and program chairmen will want to plan for follow-up meetings to carry through on much that will have been suggested in the Conferences. Mrs. Henry J. Gideon, (Chestnut Hill 7-5100) is the over-all chairman for this part of the Department's work. She will be happy to arrange for such help to parishes as requested.

Area Meeting at Swarthmore

Women from eleven parishes and missions included in the area from Yeadon and Darby to Chester met at the home of Mrs. Paul Banks, Chairman of Promotion in the Convocation of Chester, on the evening of Nov. 18th.

Varying the usual procedure of a "Flying Squadron," the meeting began with a social half-hour over dessert and coffee, which provided a chance for getting acquainted.

The Vice-Presidents in Charge of Education and Christian Social Relations, Mrs. James Ludwig and Mrs. Frank Royce, presented to the assembled group the current programs of their respective Departments, and Mrs. Banks talked on the aims and purposes of the Department of Promotion. The Christian Living Conferences, scheduled for Jan. and Feb. were discussed at length, with informal discussion and questions and answers following the talks.

Due to geographical and other reasons, these parishes and missions have found it difficult to send representatives to the Church House for the meetings of the diocesan Departments, and this area meeting was an effort to give information of the work of the

Woman's Auxiliary to be taken back to the branches, and also to allow the women to meet some of the officers and to be made to feel the fellowship that should exist within the Woman's Auxiliary. The officers felt that this meeting was a help, and they trust that those who came to learn felt the same. A similar meeting is planned for the West Chester area in Jan.

The Women of St. Peter's, Glenside, Adopt the Unified Plan

At a mass meeting held on Monday evening, November 24th, the women of St. Peter's Church, Glenside, consolidated their various women's organizations into one general organization with five subordinate "Chapters."

The adoption of the Unified Plan for women's work in this parish was the result of a careful search for the most efficient organization for giving to all the women of the parish the richest opportunities for spiritual growth and Christian service.

Mrs. Alfred M. Chapman, member of the National Council and presiding officer of recent Triennial, gave a most challenging address on the high lights of the Triennial and the great need for consecrated service by the women of the Church.

The Reverend Robert Nelson Back, rector of St. Peter's Church, outlined the plan which the committee has adopted for setting the new organization in motion.

Mrs. Oliver J. Hart expressed her confidence that increased interest in the program of the Church would result from the adoption of the plan, and that the women would be adequately organized to express this interest in greater service.

Mrs. Charles Meyers, Vice-President in Charge of Promotion in the Diocese, brought greetings from other parishes which are organized under the Unified Plan. Letters were read from two parishes expressing their approval of the Unified Plan. One president made such comments as,

"We sincerely believe that under the Unified Plan our women as a whole have experienced a great spiritual growth.

"The increase in fellowship among all the women is truly remarkable. Every two years we reorganize our chapters, again by lot, and learn to know, love and work with a new group of people.

"One of the finest gains for the women has been the complete breaking down of age consciousness. The young

matron works beside the wise matriarch, and each draws strength from the other."

As always, every department of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese is ready to help the women of St. Peter's with any problems that may arise.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Among projects accomplished during the past month the Church Periodical Club lists the following: Twenty-five new four-part hymnals purchased and sent to a mission in the Philippines needed to establish a processional. Thirty-five new books selected as Christmas gifts and sent to mission workers in response to requests to the New York National office.

Fifteen used bibles and hymnals provided for Byberry prison group of girls being confirmed by the Bishop. 118 little purchases (books, games, puzzles etc.) packed and sent to missions here in this country.

On order, twenty-five new standard hymnals for use by the Rev. Stanley Powell, Jr., in his work at Levittown. He is establishing singing groups to interest young people in Church he hopes to start there. The "Light of the North" picture depicting Bishop Gordon's work in Alaska was well attended and much enjoyed at Nov. meeting.

A QUIET DAY

At St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 44, a Quiet Day for Business and Professional Women will be held on Saturday, January 31st, from the Holy Eucharist at 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Conducted by the Rev. Charles E. Finch, B.D. Please register early with the Sister-in-Charge, Victor 4-4612.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON WOMEN'S DEPT., PHILA. COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Will be held on Thursday, Jan. 29th at the Broadwood Hotel, at 12.30 P.M. Luncheon price is \$2.75. The speaker is the Rev. Walter W. Van Kirk, of the National Council, Churches of Christ in the U. S. A.

KNOW AND WORK FOR UNITED NATIONS

The members of the National Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A., in meeting assembled, have taken the following action:

Be it resolved that we believe that it is imperative for the United Nations at this crucial time to have increased understanding and support. We are convinced that the United Nations is today's best instrument for peace.

Therefore we request Church women in every parish and mission to take immediate steps:

1. To inform themselves of the goals and accomplishment of the United Nations, and

2. To make it their business to influence public opinion in order to combat the current attacks on the United Nations.

CLERICAL CHANGES

The Rev. George F. Dutton, formerly rector of Trinity Church, Fredonia, N. Y., is now associate rector of St. Paul's Church, Chester and vicar of St. Luke's Chapel, Chester.

The Rev. Walter William Ware, formerly chaplain on the staff of the City Mission, has become rector of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Tacony, succeeding the Rev. Howard W. Gernand, retired.



During observance of the 25th Anniversary All Saints' Church, Crescentville, established a second bus route to Melrose Park and Oak Lane Manor. The other route goes to Crescentville and Olney.

Department of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Let's Study Liberia!

It won't be long before the boys and girls of the Church Schools throughout the diocese will be invited by their superintendents and teachers to take an imaginary trip to Liberia and discover for themselves some of the interesting and fascinating phases of the work of the Episcopal Church there. Liberia has been chosen as the mission study theme for Lent, 1953, and it isn't too soon for leaders to begin to plan ways in which this study can come alive and have real meaning for their boys and girls.

As a basis for the Lenten study two units have been written by Lois Robinson (published by Seabury Press) depicting in vivid and realistic terms the life of children in this mission field. *Momo, Bobo, and Musa* is the title of the unit for younger children. The teacher's guide, in addition to suggestions and helps, contains stories of everyday experiences of children in a mission school. The pupil's book has delightful sketches and borderline designs illustrating each of its one-page stories of the adventures of Momo, Bobo, and Musa. As older boys and girls use the book, *Let's Go*, they will be enabled to "go along" in imagination on a tour of the different mission stations in Liberia. Many on-the-scene photographs plus good description will help the children visualize this tour.

A guide for Leaders, prepared jointly by the Special Offerings and Church School Committees, will be in the mail in early January. It will contain helps for rectors, superintendents, and leaders, suggestions of supplementary material, and listings of appropriate audio-visual aids. In addition, there will be forms of service for the dedication of offering boxes and presentation of the offering, and suggested prayers for use throughout Lent in connection with the emphasis on Liberia.

Just A Reminder

The deadline for mailing checks for the Advent Offering is almost here. The Church Schools of the Diocese, through participation in this offering are helping to provide necessary Church School equipment for St. St. Thomas' Church, West Philadelphia. Checks must be in by *December 31st*.

Additions to the Audio-Visual Library

There have been several additions to the Audio-Visual Library within the past few months.

Challenge in the Sun, the newest of the National Council's missionary films presents a picture of the Church's work in the Panama Canal Zone.

Two new filmstrips on Africa will be useful in connection with the 1953 Lenten Study on Liberia. They are *Sumo, A Boy of Africa*, and *African Panorama*, which has with it a set of records.

Alejandra, Mexico is a color film-strip giving background information for the National Youth Offering Project for 1953.

A set of slides *Highlights of General Convention*, are also a recent addition to the Library.

Has your parish joined the Audio-Visual Cooperative? For the ten dollars membership fee you are permitted the use of all slides, filmstrips, and records throughout the year ending September, 1953. Cooperative membership does not include the use of sixteen millimeter films, however.

To Know
The Christ



To Make
Him Known

Annual Youth Advent Worship Service

The Fourth Annual Diocesan Youth Worship Service was held on Sunday, November 30th, at 4 p.m. in Old Christ Church, Philadelphia.

The service, which is traditionally held on the first Sunday in Advent, was led by members of the Diocesan Youth Council. Those who took part in the service were Ronald K. Partridge, Chairman of the Diocesan Youth Council and a member of the Church of Our Saviour, Jenkintown; Sally Dallas, Secretary of the Diocesan Youth Council and a member of Christ Church, Ridley Park; Hay Wood, G.F.S. Representative and a member of St. Luke's Church, Germantown; and, William R. Brown from Zion Church, Philadelphia. Other members of the Youth Council served as ushers.

Over four hundred young people, youth advisors, and clergy turned out

to hear the guest preacher, the Rev. Harold E. Frankham, rector of Middleton Parish, Lancashire, England. Mr. Frankham, who is well known to the young people of the diocese through his work with Bryan Green, spoke of freedom and the "truth that makes you free." He referred to the last lines of the sermon hymn, the ever-famous Hymn Number Five from the Bryan Green Mission leaflet, "My chains fell off, my heart was free." Mr. Frankham emphasized that true freedom does not lie in "being free to do what we please, but rather in total commitment to Christ and His cause, whose service is perfect freedom."

The service was followed by an Open House and Summer Conference Reunion in Neighborhood House, which gave young people an opportunity to renew acquaintanceships and join in fellowship with other young people throughout the diocese. Mr. Frankham came over, too, and extended a warm greeting to all the young people.

The offering received at this service will go toward the National Youth Offering Project for 1953—the building of a boy's dormitory at Alejandra, Mexico.

Feast of Lights—next Major

The next MAJOR is the Feast of Lights. Through the ages light has been the symbol of progress and truth. Today many young people feel a deep sense of the importance of the historic continuity of the Church, the universality of Christ, and the beauty and glory of the Christian message as reflected in the symbol of light.

This service at Epiphany or some other time during the new year, is a witnessing act to the teaching of God in Christ as the Light of the World. It is a call to everyone to turn again and examine himself, to believe and be thankful, and to receive God's love.

Copies of this service may be obtained at the Department of Christian Education. Cost—25c each.

Mission Major, 1953—Alejandra, Mexico

The Feast of the Epiphany inaugurates the great missionary season of the Church. This year our attention is focused on ALEJANDRA, (pronounced: all-ay-hahn-dra) Mexico. There is a wealth of resource material for the Mission Major in "Daily Increase"—the Handbook of the United Movement of the Church's Youth 1952-53. YOUTH ADVISORS—Be sure to have a copy! Available in Room 30—Church House. Sixty-five cents each.

ACTIVITY OF FIELD DEPARTMENT CONTINUES

The Field Department's continuing activity in Laymen's work was highlighted by a meeting of those men who were particularly active in the Area Conferences held during October. Approximately twenty attended a round table conference held in the Church House on Monday, November 10th, following which the group were guests of the Bishop at dinner at the Rittenhouse Club.

Bishop Hart outlined the progress made during the past few months and indicated that another year he would like to hold a much larger number of these area meetings which would be attended by many more representatives from the several parishes. It is his thought one meeting might be held for every five or six parishes in the Diocese to which all members of each congregation would be invited.

Dr. Jarden Guenther, Chairman of the Field Department, indicated that the program was slow to gather momentum this past fall and it was agreed to launch the series of meetings early in September with training sessions at Schwenksville the first weekend and the meetings themselves to be held during the last two weeks and conducted by teams of qualified laymen and clergy.

It was also decided to secure a representative from each parish in the Diocese to serve as the Field Department's liaison between the Parish and the Diocese. Every clergyman in the Diocese will be contacted by a member of the Department in an effort to secure the rector's recommendation for this post. This effort coincides with that of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work which, shortly after the Field Department's meeting, wrote every rector in an effort to secure a "key man" in each Parish to be responsible for the work. Bishop Hart suggests that the same individual be appointed by the Rector to serve in a dual capacity as "key man" for the Diocese and the National Council.

First concrete step to crystallize this effort has been taken by the Bishop in calling together these key men for a meeting on Thursday, February 19th, at 8.00 P.M. in the Church House. Not only will Bishop Hart and Dr. Guenther outline their plans for the future but the Field Department feels exceptionally fortunate in having been able to secure Mr. Robert Jordan to

speak to this group. Mr. Jordan is Director of the Department of Promotion of the National Council and one of the ablest men in our Church. It is the Field Department's intention to make this one of the season's most interesting meetings.

LOCAL MEN AT PROMOTION MEETING

The Rev. J. Jarden Guenther, Chairman of the Department recently journeyed to Washington with Mr. Angus, Co-chairman of the Diocesan Field Department, to attend a Provincial Conference of the Directors of the Promotion Departments in the various Dioceses. They returned to report that the Program for Laymen's work is gathering additional steam and that your Church hopes to do an effective job in expanding its effort

through a variety of media, under the able direction of Mr. Robert Jordan.

The overall program has been stepped up and many new ideas were suggested and discussed. For example, last Spring it was suggested that another new film in the Church's series would be ready by the end of the year—this one on the work of the Church in Panama. Not only has that film already been released but another will be ready just after the holidays, while a third is in preparation, and three more have been planned. Mr. Jordan hopes to make more effective use of Radio and Television and has a plan for raising funds that will be revealed at the proper time.

In substance the spirit of the National Council seems to echo the thoughts of your Bishop. Some gains have been made; let us consolidate our advance and move forward more swiftly and confidently.



Bishop Hart and General Baker dedicate Honor Roll in Alumni Memorial Chapel of St. Cornelius the Centurion at Valley Forge Military Academy.

BRYAN GREEN COMES BACK

The Bryan Green reunion meeting was held in Irvine Auditorium on the campus of the University of Pennsylvania on Monday evening, December 1. Harold Frankham led the singing, using the hymn sheets left from the Diocesan Mission held in the Convention Hall a year ago.

Bryan Green collected some questions from the congregation and in his address stressed the importance of thorough reading of the Bible. He discussed the relative merits of the King James Bible and later versions. He urged the importance of keeping each generation alert and devoted to Christian principles and participation in the work of the Church. It is only in the Christian life that there can be certainty and fellowship.

Preceding the Irvine Auditorium meeting about a hundred persons, including the ushers, met with Bryan Green and his party for an informal dinner in Houston Hall.

Bryan Green spoke to the Clerical Brotherhood at noon on the same day, telling of his activities as a missionary since his original visit to Philadelphia. He and Harold Frankham had been on this side of the ocean since the middle of October, conducting missions in Toronto, Canada; Birmingham, Alabama; and Richmond, Virginia.

Mrs. Green was with her husband during parts of his visit to the United States, and in Philadelphia spoke to a special service for women in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets, on Friday afternoon, November 28.

Harold Frankham was able to spend more time in Philadelphia than Bryan Green, speaking at a family service in St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, on Thanksgiving Day; preaching and broadcasting over radio at the Church of the Holy Trinity on Sunday morning, November 30; addressing the Advent Youth Worship Service in old Christ Church in the afternoon; and preaching at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, that same evening.

Besides the large numbers reunited with the missionaries in public gatherings, there were many students in schools and colleges who also were enabled in smaller groups to renew the contacts of a year ago. The friendships established in and around Philadelphia by these two English clergymen have been numerous and deep. Our people were glad to see them again and they both showed that Philadelphia has a warm place in their affections.

SET YOUR DIALS FOR GOOD PROGRAMS

The Episcopal Church, in co-operation with the Broadcasting and Film Commission of the National Council of Churches, participates in religious network programs with other member Churches. Except for the programs with the same speaker Sunday after Sunday, the Episcopal Church has the privilege of designating a person and a parish for appearance on these programs. Every opportunity for presenting an Episcopal service or personality is taken advantage of and many local programs, not only in the large cities, but in smaller communities throughout the country, supplement the network programs.

SUNDAY RADIO PROGRAMS

9:45-10:00 a.m. E.S.T., NBC, *Faith in Action*

10:00-10:30 a.m. E.S.T., N.B.C., *National Radio Pulpit*, Ralph W. Sockman

10:00-10:30 a.m. & 10:30-11:00 a.m. E.S.T. CBS, *Church of the Air*

10:30-10:45 a.m. E.S.T., NBC, *Art of Living*, Norman Vincent Peale

1:30-2:00 p.m. E.S.T., ABC, *National Vespers*, John Sutherland Bonnell

SUNDAY TELEVISION PROGRAMS

1:30-2:00 p.m. E.S.T. NBC, *Frontiers of Faith*, November 30 through December 28, all February, and March 29

5:00-5:30 p.m. E.S.T. CBS, *Lamp Unto My Feet*

6:00-7:00 p.m. E.S.T. DuMont *The Week in Religion*

For further information write Radio & Television Division, The National Council, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

THE CALL GOES OUT FOR NEW MISSIONARIES

The Rev. Charles H. Long, Jr., who lives in Philadelphia and heads the Overseas Department of the National Council of the Episcopal Church, has listed some of the needs for clergymen to serve in the following mission fields of the church: Nicaragua, Japan, Mexico, Liberia, Dominican Republic, Alaska. From time to time lay persons are also needed for overseas posts in the mission field. Those who desire further information should address the Rev. Charles H. Long, Jr., 281 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

TEA AT CHURCH HOME

Receiving at the tea during the open house held by the board of managers of the Angora School, Church Home for Children, one day last month: the Mmes, Oliver J. Hart, Morris Hutchinson, Robert Toland, Allen Evans, Richard Lyford, John Bomberger, Arnold Purdie, Walter Haushalter and Edward Parnum.

Members of the board are the Mmes. John Gardiner, Jr., Charles Sinkler, Frederick Balch, Granville Taylor, Paul B. Banks, Edward Cramp, Allen Evans, John G. Cappers, Robert P. Liversidge, Thomas McConnell, 3d, Edward Morris, Jr., Edward C. Page, Jr., Ralph H. Rice, Jr., William Winnie and Miss Mary Mitchell.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

The Fall Meeting of the Daughters of the King was held at Christ Church & St. Michael's on November 13th. The Rev. Jerry Carpenter was the speaker, Mrs. David Hilsee gave an excellent report on the Triennial Convention of the D of K held in Hartford from September 2-6. Miss Barbara Stevenson reported on the Diocesan Summer Conference. Dinner was served by the Chapter at Christ Church & St. Michael's.

A new Junior Chapter has been formed at All Saints Church, Rhawnhurst. The leader being Miss Marion Potter.

Miss Hattie K. Bunting has been elected to the National Council of the Order of the Daughters of the King.

ST. JOHN'S FREE CHURCH

Bishop Hart rejoiced with the people of St. John's Free Church Thanksgiving Eve for the complete re-decorating and renewal of the church interior.

The members of St. John's want to record their gratitude to Bishop Hart for his warm appreciation of their work, the beautiful address he made and the thanksgiving with which he closed the service.

It was an amazing job this group of eleven men of St. John's did. They began after last Easter and all through the hot summer they gave up their Saturdays and most of their evenings to the removal of seven layers of paint from all the walls of the church and to the application of two coats of new paint. They erected scaffolding and used acid so powerful that they had to wear linemen's rubber gloves reaching to the shoulder and which no professional painter would use. New Masonite wainscoting was installed all around the church. All the woodwork was stained and varnished. The main doors were completely rebuilt and all the doors were grained. The organ pipes were gilded.

The hours they gave amounted to about two thousand. The cost of materials, given as an extra by the people, was about \$800. It is estimated that if the work had been paid for the cost would have been nearly \$5000.

At the same time the Altar Guild paid for the refinishing of all the altar appointments, including the altar rail.

Y.P.F. LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE

On five Friday evenings, November 7th through December 5th, the Diocesan Young People's Fellowship sponsored a Leadership Training Course held in the parish house of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia. These meetings were open to all interested youth and their advisers, and revolved about the theme: "Learning to Do by Doing."

The group, which usually numbered about forty-five, considered the problems of worship, service, study, and fellowship which perennially confront the parish youth group. "Workshops" discussed such topics as: "Your youth group has decided to study other denominations within Christianity, and other world religions in order to gain further insight into our own Faith. How long should this study take? What methods of presentation would be most effective? What resource

material could be used?"; "Plan an Advent worship service for your group"; and "Write an original Litany to be used in the worship program of your group."

The Rev. Paul C. Kintzing, St. Mark's, presented the keynote address at each session. His talks highlighted each of the four areas of the Fellowship program, Worship, Service, Study, and Fellowship. Other leaders of the course were: The Rev. Norman C. Farnlof, St. John's, Philadelphia, the Rev. Robert N. Back, St. Peter's, Glenside, the Rev. John R. Hart, Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, Miss Jean Sparkman, St. James, Kingessing, Mrs. Marion Potter, All Saints', Rhawnhurst, Mrs. Mildred Seward, Zion, Logan, and Mr. Thomas Sheehan, St. Barnabas', Haddington.

On the final evening, December 5th, the entire group participated in a special service prepared by the Worship Workshop, followed by a social hour directed by the Fellowship Workshop.

Under the direction of the Course Secretary, Miss Ruth McCuen, St. Andrew's, West Philadelphia, complete notes were kept on every phase of the workshops. *Ideas #3*, a booklet based on the work accomplished in the Course, will be available in the Spring of 1953.



In the shadow of the ruins of Hiroshima, Japan. Chaplain Charles Urban with native children. He is now with the 5th Infantry Division at Indiantown Gap, Pa.

SPOTLIGHT

The December issue of *Spotlight*, the monthly magazine of the Young People's Fellowship in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, marked its twentieth year of continuous publication. *Spotlight* is the oldest continually published Episcopal youth magazine in the Nation.

NOONDAY ORGAN RECITALS

A series of free organ recitals is being given every Friday from 12:10 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Church, 1625 Locust Street. This civic contribution to the cultural life of the community draws on those who work or shop in the mid-city area as well as those who live or study nearby for attendance.

Guest organists are featured every other week, and include noted organists of the Philadelphia area as well as especially talented students. The remaining programs are played by Wesley A. Day, F.A.G.A., Ch.M., F.T.C.L., organist and choirmaster of St. Mark's.

Featured organists included November 21, Vernon Wolcott; December 5, Temple Painter; December 19, Eugene Roan; January 2, Rowland Ricketts, M.D.

G. F. S. BANQUET

On a very rainy Saturday evening, November 15th, at the New Century Club, the G.F.S. and their friends turned out 225 strong to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the Girls' Friendly Society in the United States.

Bishop J. Gillespie Armstrong, Suffragan Bishop of Pennsylvania, led us in the G.F.S. prayer and the blessing.

Mrs. U. Grant Beath, President of the Woman's Auxiliary, brought us greetings from her organization.

Speaker of the evening was Mrs. Stephen K. Mahon, our new National Executive Secretary. We were very glad she could be with us.

Two past Presidents were with us—Miss Margaret C. Maule and Mrs. Percy G. Hall. We were very sorry that Mrs. C. W. Spiess and Mrs. Edmund B. Wood could not be with us, but we know they were there in thought.

A group of teen-agers from St. Mark's, Frankford, presented a skit depicting the 75 years of history and achievement of the G.F.S.

As of the evening of the Banquet, our "thank offering" was \$238.00.

All in all we had a very enjoyable evening.

In the DIOCESE

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, *Editor*

A new sexton's house is being built at St. Peter's Church, Glenside, at a cost of \$12,000. About half of the money has been given in response to a letter sent by the vestry to the members of the parish.

The Rev. Albert M. Holloway, rector of Trinity Church, Oxford, has been appointed chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Convocation of Germantown, and has just brought out the first issue of "Germantown Convocation News."

The Y.P.F. of St. Peter's Church, Glenside, recently presented a program at the Harrison Home for the benefit of its guests.

The Rev. James M. Niblo, rector of St. John's Church, Norristown, was the preacher at All Saints' Church, Chelsea, N. J., on Sunday morning in the octave of All Saints' Day.

The first woman speaker to address the Old Christ Church Business Men's Association was Mrs. Evelyn M. Trommer, Assistant District Attorney for the Philadelphia Domestic Relations Court, on "Your Domestic Relations Problems."

Mr. Urban Holmes, a student at the Philadelphia Divinity School, is assisting the rector of Christ Church, Media, in the Sunday School and Y.P.F.

On Thanksgiving Day the choir and organ at the Chapel of the Holy Apostles, Penn Wynne, were accompanied during the service by an instrumental group of junior high school boys and girls, directed by Mr. Herman C. Giersch.

An attendance contest at Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, has for its reward a trip in the Spring to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, in New York City.

The Young People's Fellowship of the Diocese maintains a Speaker's Bureau to supply speakers for youth groups. For further information contact Miss Dorothy Faulkner, 601 Disston Street, Phila., Pa.

A Young People's Fellowship has been organized at the Church of the Atonement, Morton, with about 20

members under the leadership of Mrs. Schuster as advisor.

Six churches participated in a community service on Thanksgiving Day in the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr. The offering was taken for the Episcopal Hospital and the Bryn Mawr Hospital. The regular celebration of Holy Communion was at an earlier hour.

According to an attractive printed "Calendar" issued by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley, recent speakers at monthly meetings have included Mrs. Remington, Mrs. Hill, and on Feb. 11 Mrs. James G. Ludwig will speak on "Christian Education;" and on March 11 Mrs. James Sands will speak on "Christian Social Relations."

A novel feature of the Parish Fair at St. Luke's Church, Germantown, was an unusual selection of umbrellas in various colors and sizes. There was also a Baby-Sitting department to look after the small fry.

The Rev. Percy G. Hall, National Council Armed Forces Division Secretary, just returned from a trip to England, was recently guest preacher at The Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown.

A local paper in a community where Bishop Hart recently made his visitation for Confirmation, printed one of those errors which are the constant source of editorial headaches. The item said: "At 11 o'clock the Bishop delivered Sacrament of Consolation."

Parishes and organizations desiring speakers in connection with Theological Education Sunday, January 25, should send their requests early to the Rev. Charles H. Long at the Church House.

At St. Thomas Church, Whitmarsh, on Youth Sunday, members of the Y.P.F. participated in the regular morning service. Three high school boys read portions of the service and the offering was taken by six girls from the young people's group.

A slide projector has been procured for the use of teachers in illustrating Church School lessons at St. Faith Church, Brookline.

An Addressograph machine has been procured at St. Thomas Church, Whitmarsh, to facilitate the mailing of the 900 copies of St. Thomas Messenger sent to parishioners each month.

A Sports Night program of the Men's Club of St. George's Church, Ardmore, recently included as speakers George Walsh, radio and TV commentator; Ira Thomas, of the Athletics; Robert Watson, of the Eagles.

A well edited parish paper prints side by side the total attendance at all services for each Sunday and the total amount of all offerings. It is amazing to see how often the two totals are similar. Where the total attendance amounts to 450, the total offerings are \$450.00.

Mrs. Dora P. Chaplin, Associate Editor, Division of Curriculum Development of the National Council, was the speaker at a recent parish dinner at St. Martin's Church, Radnor.

The new organ installed in St. David's Church, Radnor, was dedicated Nov. 2. A recital was played Nov. 19 by Dr. Channing Lefebvre, organist at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H. The interior walls of St. David's Church were recently repainted and the brass chandeliers and candelabra lacquered.

The Rev. George Florovsky spoke on "The Eastern Orthodox Church and Church Unity" at a recent meeting of The Priests' Catholic Club held at St. Luke's Church, B and Huntingdon Streets.

The parish house of St. Paul's Church, Overbrook, has housed the Order of Rainbow for Girls, an organization for girls of the highest type between the ages of 13 and 18. Sponsors are members of the Eastern Star.

A mystery play "Laura" was recently presented in the parish house of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, by the Parish Players. In this parish "Paint Saturday" is the last Saturday in each month, when the men keep the surfaces looking fresh.

The fall meeting of the West Philadelphia Auxiliary of the Seamen's Church Institute met in the parish house of St. Mary's Church, 3916 Locust Street. The immediate projects of this working group of women is gathering used clothing and discarded magazines.

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St. James, Hestonville
St. James, Langhorne
St. John, Compass
St. John, Cynwyd
St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne
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St. Luke, Germantown
St. Luke and the Epiphany
St. Mark's, Frankford
St. Martin, Oak Lane
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St. Nathanael, Philadelphia
St. Paul, Doylestown
St. Peter, Glenside
St. Stephen, Norwood
St. Thomas, Whitemarsh
Trinity, Coatesville
Trinity, Oxford
Trinity Memorial, Philadelphia
Trinity, Swarthmore

THE VESTRY HONOR ROLL

We are glad to print the list of parishes and missions whose vestrymen have sent in their personal subscriptions to THE CHURCH NEWS. Bishop Hart is anxious that all vestrymen read it regularly.

All Saints, Wynnewood
Calvary, Germantown
Christ, Philadelphia
Christ, Pottstown
Christ, Ridley Park
Christ and St. Michael, Germantown
Emmanuel, Holmesburg
Epiphany, Germantown
Gloria Dei, Philadelphia
Good Samaritan, Paoli
Holy Comforter, Aronimink
House of Prayer, Philadelphia
Huntingdon Valley Chapel
Incarnation, Drexel Hill
Messiah, Gwynedd
Redeemer, Springfield
Redemption, Philadelphia
St. Alban, Olney
St. Andrew, West Vincent
St. Asaph, Bala
St. Cyril, Coatesville
St. George, Ardmore
St. James, Green Ridge
St. James, Kingessing
St. James, Perkiomen
St. John, Concord
St. John, Cynwyd
St. Jude and the Nativity, Plymouth Meeting
St. Luke, Newtown
St. Mark, Philadelphia
St. Martin, Oak Lane
St. Paul, Chestnut Hill
St. Paul, Oaks
St. Paul, Overbrook
St. Peter, Great Valley
St. Simeon, Philadelphia
St. Simon the Cyrenian
The Saviour, West Philadelphia
Trinity, Coatesville
Trinity, Oxford
Trinity, Swarthmore
Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge

ORDINATIONS

On December 6, Bishop Armstrong officiated at St. Luke's Church, Germantown, at the ordination as Priest John Randall Wilkins to continue as Curate of St. Luke's Church, Germantown.

On December 13, Bishop Armstrong officiated at St. Stephens, Norwood, at the ordination as priest Harry Riddle Johnson, Jr. to continue as Vicar of St. Luke's Eddystone and St. John the Evangelist, Essington.

On December 20, Bishop Hart officiated at St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill, at the ordination as priest John Frederick Leser to continue as Curate of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Chestnut Hill.

ENTERTAINMENT AT HOUSE OF REST

The Ladies at the House of Rest are very appreciative of the many enjoyable entertainments that have been given for them by the Parishes and interested friends.

St. Aidan's, Cheltenham, took 23 to their Parish to hear "Iolanthe," an Operetta given by St. Aidan's Chorus. A group of young girls, in gay costumes, from St. Mary's, Hamilton Village, put on a delightful skit, at the House.

Valley Forge Chapel, a program of Christmas music, with Mr. Chester Norton and Estelle Harrop Cremers.

All Saints, Wynnewood, its usual wonderful Christmas Party at their Parish House.

The Esso Company—pictures of Pennsylvania.

The Philadelphia Electric Company showed travelogues and a humorous film, "Grandma Goes to School." The Woman's Club of Germantown, gave a gay party at their Club House, and last, the always heart warming Christmas Eve party, given at the House by the members of the Board.

A LAYMAN'S ANALYSIS OF A CLERGYMAN'S JOB

A clergyman asked his own Vestry to help him make a "job analysis" of his own work which might be helpful to him in determining the best use of his time. The result gives an interesting insight into the laymen's view of the ministry. Their suggested weekly schedule of "work hours" was:

	hours
Pastoral calling (including calling on the sick, aged, hospitalized, and the homes of the parish)	35
Conduct of public services	5
Special services (baptisms, marriages and burials)	5
Private devotions and prayer	4
Christian Education (Church School, Adult Classes)	24
Supervising organizational activities and office work	20
Pastoral counseling	4
Sermon preparation	4
Reading and study	2
Community activities	
Diocesan and other extra parochial work	2

Total 109

What schedule would your Vestry suggest?

ST. LUKE'S BROTHERHOOD CHAPTER

The St. Luke's, Germantown, chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew sponsored a breakfast following the Annual Corporate Communion for men and boys, on the snow-laden Sunday of November 30th. Twenty-eight remained for the breakfast and heard the Rev. Nevill Lascalles-Ward, chaplain at the Philadelphia General Hospital, tell of the work being done there.

This hospital dates back to 1732 when by agreement between the Episcopal Church and the City Fathers endowments connected with the almshouse founded and run by the Church were combined to establish the hospital on the grounds donated by "Squire" Blockley. The agreement was that no one should be turned away for lack of financial means. There are now 3000 beds, 160 resident physicians, 500 nurses and 6 chaplains of various denominations. Between 300 and 400 Episcopalians are cared for here annually. Our Church, as well as the Roman Catholics and Presbyterians, maintains a separate chapel here. The only permanent chaplains are Chaplain Ward, who has been here 11 years, and two young Roman Catholics who are changed every two years.

The work of our chaplain consists chiefly of making personal visits, administering the Sacraments, writing letters for individuals and ministering to them in various ways. He spoke of the great variety of circumstances which the chaplain is forced to meet in his daily round: those suffering from all manner of illness, including social diseases, and the tact which must be exercised. He spoke of the great opportunity which exists for bringing individuals to Christ. During the past ten years he has averaged 9800 personal calls a year, with either a prayer offered, a letter written, or the Sacrament administered in each case. He administers the Sacrament on an average of 1200 times personally each year, in addition to the services held in the chapel on Sundays. He writes 2200 personal letters for the patients. In addition to this, much needed clothing (including men's trousers, old but clean) as well as many other incidentals which mean so much to the patients, are distributed.

In closing the chaplain stressed the importance of all this. And he asked that continued support be given to this

work of the City Mission which so often brings spiritual healing to those in desperate need, and brings many to our Lord and into His Church.

ALL HALLOWS CHURCH, WYNCOTE

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Parish has purchased a tape recorder for the Parish. It is being used in Choir rehearsal, Sunday School, the Rector's Study, etc. The 11:00 a.m. service is recorded each Sunday and taken to sick and shut-ins, upon request.

An anonymous donor has presented the Parish with a permanent amplification system to be used in the Parish House.

Recently, the Parish entertained the Congregation at the Annual Parish Dinner Meeting. Two hundred people were present. The Rector reported on the state of the Parish, organizational reports were distributed, four Vestrymen were elected for the next three years. The Rector's Warden reported on "The Christian Living Conferences." Following the Parish Meeting the Every Member Canvass Committee officiated, presented the Parish Budget for 1953 and the meeting concluded with the National Church's color motion picture "A Challenge in the Sun."

The Sunday School enrollment has increased 51 per cent during the past year. The average attendance has been 82 per cent of the enrollment.

THE CHURCHWOMAN'S CLUB

On Jan. 4, at 7.30 p.m., the Epiphany Service for the Churchwoman's Club will be held in the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets. The Rev. Harry S. Longley, rector, will preach.

The annual meeting will be held in the Club, 1919 Walnut Street, Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. There will be tea at 4 p.m., followed by a musical program at 5 p.m.

On Jan. 13 the regular program will be resumed: tea 4 p.m., supper 6 p.m. and at 7.15 a talk by Dr. Margaret Kollock.

Jan. 20 Mrs. Jean Rordell will entertain with a group from the Matinee Musical Club.

Jan. 27: An interesting evening with magic. Mr. James C. Woobensmith "Magic With Thurston."

THE MAKING OF A SERMON

The Rev. E. A. de Bordenave, rector of Christ Church, 2nd Street above Market, writes in *The Beacon* of Christ Church as follows:

Did you ever wonder what the Rector does? If you haven't you aren't like most church members! And it is right that you should, so I thought that I'd tell you a little bit about my job as your Rector.

There are a lot of different angles to the job and more than I can tell about in one note, so I'll start with the most important and add notes from time to time.

The principal responsibilities of a clergyman are spelled out in the charge given to him at his ordination. This is found on page 546 of the Prayer Book. It reads "... And be thou a faithful dispenser of the Word of God, and of his Holy Sacraments: ..."

Now the principal ways a clergyman "Dispenses the Word of God" in our church are preaching and teaching. So let's start with preaching. A sermon usually is designed to be about twenty minutes long. Sometimes it is longer, sometimes it just *seems* longer. In the same way sometimes they take less time to prepare, and sometimes one just has to drag words out and put them on paper. But on the average, it takes about one hour of preparation for every minute of a sermon. This means that on the average about twenty hours a week is spent studying and writing, just for one sermon.

You may be interested in the way I go about this, too. Usually I try to decide early in the week what the subject ought to be for the next Sunday. A subject either jumps at me—or I worry for days before it is clear what it should be. You see, there is just one twenty-minutes each week! The question is: of all that I might talk about, what is the one thing that ought to be said this week so that people have a chance to hear from me what will help them hear what God wants to say to them? It is often a difficult decision, and often I make a mistake in judgment and find myself answering questions nobody is asking. (That's when the sermon counts the longest!)

After I decide on the subject, it boils around in my mind. It influences what reading and studying I do that week. Finally, after supper Saturday night, I lock myself up on the third floor at home and read for two or three hours, then I write for two or three more,

then I sleep for a couple of hours, then I make some coffee and outline what I have written.

Driving to church after breakfast, you can imagine that I am not a very talkative companion.

Just before the eleven o'clock service I try to disappear and alone go over in my mind what I have outlined. Then the bells ring, the service starts, and when I get into the pulpit I always feel nervous and keyed up. The opening prayer and my prayer after the sermon is that God might speak to you in spite of the very poor vehicle His Word has in my words.

I said a sermon only takes twenty minutes; it's really twenty hours. You can understand why I want to take a nap Sunday afternoon!

IN THE DIOCESE

The young people of the Convocation of Chester held a meeting at the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli, when slides were shown and reports received from delegates to the recent Youth Convention in Boston.

Boys of the Upper Dublin Lutheran Church were asked to write essays about some church they would like to visit. Bruce Allen wrote about Old Christ Church, and seven boys in his class made a trip to this historic shrine on Dec. 7, attending Sunday School, the 11 o'clock church service, the coffee hour, and an afternoon tour of the church.

When Bishop Armstrong recently visited the Church of St. Giles, Stonehurst, in addition to the class presented by the rector, the Rev. Harry Ingram Fell, there were also some candidates from the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne, presented by the Rev. Charles E. Tuke, rector.

At a recent meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Faith Church, Brookline, Mrs. Walter L. Obold gave an illustrated talk on her trip to the Near East.

A parish paper lists 16 sick people by name, an equal number of service men by name, 6 persons about to have birthdays, and asks for the prayers of the people in their private meditations.

On the first Sunday in December in the Church of the Atonement, 47th Street and Kingessing Avenue, the rector celebrated Holy Communion at a table in the chancel,

facing the congregation, so that explanation concerning the service might be made.

A new rectory is under construction at All Saints' Church, Rhawnhurst. It will include a parish office and a large meeting room in the basement.

The Rev. E. Sydnor Thomas, rector of St. Barnabas Church, Germantown, was the speaker at a recent meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Clement's Church, 20th and Cherry Streets. The meeting in St. John's Sacristy, was preceded by a luncheon in the parish house.

Mr. Thomas B. Dunn, director of music at St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, has been appointed teacher of organ at the Peabody School of Music in Baltimore, Md. He will continue his duties at St. Paul's.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew Chapter of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Germantown, recently sponsored a Ladies' Night for the men and women of the parish. The speaker was the Rev. Ralph E. Coonrad, Director of Religious Education at St. Luke's Church, Germantown. His subject was "The Faith of The Church."

Mr. R. Marshall Truitt, Chairman of the Department of Publicity of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, has been appointed rector's warden of the Church of the Epiphany, Germantown.

The Service League of St. Martin's Church, Radnor, have purchased a dish washer for the parish house and the Men's Group of the parish have done the carpentry and electrical work entailed in its installation. The Serv-

ice League has also given a new vacuum cleaner and a carpet for the church stairs.

The Arts and Crafts Class of the Kindergarten Department of the Church School of the Church of the Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, made tray cards to be used for the patients at the Episcopal Hospital on Thanksgiving Day.

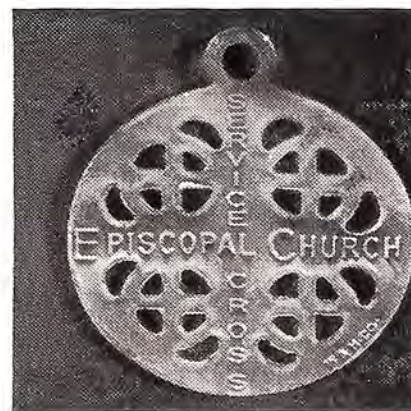
Miss Judith Bayard Wood, daughter of the late Rev. Edmund B. Wood and Mrs. Wood, was married to Dr. Howard Wayne Hansell in the Church of St. James-the-Less on Nov. 15.

A fashion show and card party were held at St. Alban's Church, Newtown Square, to raise money to provide kneeling benches for the church.

The Corporate Communion for the men of the Diocese, arranged by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be held on Saturday, Feb. 21, at 8 a.m. in St. Stephen's Church, 10th above Chestnut Street. The speaker at the breakfast which will follow will be Gen. Lemuel C. Shephard, Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps.

All women of the Diocese will be welcome at a series of studies in the writings of St. Paul on seven consecutive Mondays, beginning Jan. 5, at 2 p.m., in St. Mark's parish house, 1625 Locust Street. Sister Dorothea, S.S.M., a member of the parish staff, will be the teacher.

Harold A. Hopkins, Jr., of St. Anne's Church, Willow Grove, was recently elected president of the Junior (first year) class at the General Theological Seminary in New York.



THE CHURCH SERVICE CROSS

Every person in the Armed Forces should be presented with one.

The Evening Branch of the W. A. of St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, has two corporate communions a year, one held at 8 a.m., another at 8 p.m.

Alumni, fathers of students, and interested friends of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., recently attended a luncheon in the Barclay, when Dr. Jacobs, the new president of the college, was the guest of honor. About 80 men were in attendance, of whom 5 were clergymen.

The Joint Commission on Church Music, of the National Council of the Episcopal Church, has issued a new 20 page pamphlet on "Music for Church Weddings." The Diocesan Commission on Music is sending complimentary copies to the clergy. Others desiring to purchase copies at 50 cents each should apply to Miss Roma E. Angel, Secretary, 7808 York Road, Elkins Park 17, Pa.

Students from the P.D.S. conducted the service and the Dean of the School preached at a special service marking the 60th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of the parish house of the Church of the Atonement, 47th Street and Kingessing Avenue. The work was originally started largely through the

efforts of the students and faculty of the seminary.

The Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather has resigned as chairman of the Diocesan Department of Social Relations. Mr. Sydney Lea, vice-chairman, will direct the department until reorganization in the spring.

St. Asaph's Church, Bala, has acquired new dishes for use in the parish house. The old set is available for some parish or mission in need of such equipment. Consult the Rev. Richard T. Lyford, rector.

Bishop Armstrong recently confirmed nine women prisoners at Moyamensing. They were presented by the Rev. Walter W. Ware, of the City Mission staff.

The Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints' Church, Wynnewood, entertained women from the House of Rest with a Christmas party.

At St. Matthew's Church, 18th Street and Girard Avenue, the Junior Auxiliary has contributed \$50.00 towards new cassocks for the women of the parish choir.

During a recent bazaar "Small Fry" dinners for children under 11 years

of age, were served in the basement of the parish house of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown, while adults were dining upstairs.

The Young People's Fellowship of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 3d and Reed Streets, recently voted to contribute \$50.00 per month for the expenses of the parish. They also voted to provide 100 gifts for needy men at St. John's Settlement House, 1332 N. 12th Street, where they sponsored a Christmas party.

Two Marines, home on leave at the time of the Every Member Canvass at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 3rd and Reed Streets, gave up a large part of their leave to participate in that project as canvassers.

The Holiday House Committee of the Girls' Friendly Society of the Diocese held a successful card party and fashion show at Strawbridge & Clothier's store.

The church school of St. Elisabeth's Church, 16th & Mifflin Sts., held a Presentation Service when gifts were offered for the children of St. John's in the Mountains, Ferrum, Virginia.

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NEW REGULATIONS FOR LAY READERS

As a result of the report of the Standing Liturgical Commission a definite change was made in Canon 50, Section 3, which is of importance to Lay Readers. Sentence to read this way: He shall read only the Morning and Evening Prayer (omitting the Absolution), the Litany, the Offices of Instruction and the Office for the Burial of the Dead.

What actually happened at Convention was the omission of this sentence and a substitution was made. This substitution was in reality an expansion of the former sentence and the sentence now reads quite differently.

"He shall read only the following Offices, or parts thereof, and shall observe the limitations mentioned:

1. Morning and Evening Prayer, omitting the Absolution, and making no substitution for it;
2. The Litany;
3. The Penitential Office;
4. The Offices of Instruction;
5. In the Order for Holy Communion, the Epistle only;
6. The Burial Offices; substituting for the priestly blessing the concluding prayer at the end of the Shorter Form for Family Prayer at Evening; substituting for the priestly blessing at the grave the final prayer at the end of the Shorter Form for Family Prayer at Morning; and substituting for the priestly blessing at the Burial of a Child the concluding prayer at the end of the Shorter Form for Family Prayer at Evening."

This change is sensible in that it makes the canon not only more definite and helpful but brings the canon up to date. We know now that no substitution is allowable for the Absolution and that a lay reader may now read the Penitential Office as well as the Litany. Lay readers should welcome the amended canon and follow it carefully.

Something for the Men To Do

What We Believe is the latest publication of the Presiding Bishop's Committee. Written by the Executive Director, the Rev. Clarence R. Haden, Jr., D.D., *What We Believe* answers the need for a set of programs, religious in nature, for use in men's groups this Church year. The Presiding Bishop's Committee has a threefold program for the coming triennium and *What We Believe* ties in with the first year of that plan, to learn about the Christian faith.

The majority of parishes and missions do have men's organizations. Some of them are getting along on a hand-to-mouth existence, challenging their men to nothing but the routine of another outside speaker each month. Others function only when there is something definite to be done for their church: a paint job, the Every Member Canvass, or a clean-up-the-grounds day. Most men's groups long for some plan which will maintain the interest from month to month, in an informative way, about the Church they want to help. *What We Believe* is planned with all such groups in mind.

What We Believe is a series of nine programs. The list of the titles will be enough to show that its first purpose is to help inform our laymen: What is the Church? Who are the Church's Ministers? Is Jesus Christ God? What is Sin? How does God Help Us? Was Christ's Death Necessary? Is Death the End? Does Man Stand Alone? What Shall We do?

The second object of the series is to develop lay leadership. Most men's organizations become, through default, another problem of the clergy. *What We Believe* clearly outlines a plan for the laymen to conduct these programs by themselves. One of the men presents the subject. Then the men take over. They are so seated that discussion is possible and almost inevitable. Group participation is the third object of the programs. Each step of the plan is carefully outlined in the introduction to the series.

What We Believe is available through the Presiding Bishop's Committee, 281 Fourth Ave., New York 10, N. Y., at 35 cents a copy, 3 copies for \$1. It is hoped that many will order the booklet at once and get their fall programs off to a fine beginning. Hundreds of copies of *What We Believe* were sold at General Convention. Many of the laymen seemed to feel they had an answer to one of their most trying problems.

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BEQUESTS, GIFTS, AND MEMORIALS

Legacies to St. Stephen's Church, 10th Street, have recently been announced as follows: The late Susan C. Thackara remembered the Benevolent Society and the Altar Guild with a legacy of \$100 each in her will. The late Adaline Gillou remembered the parish with one third of her estimated \$30,000 estate.

The Chapel in the Crypt of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, has been renovated through money left for the purpose by the late Miss Elizabeth S. Newhall.

At the Chapel of the Holy Apostles, Penn Wynne, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Supplee have given an American flag for the Scout room.

Two chancel Prayer Books in continuance of a memorial to Llewellyn G. Hill have been purchased by the Altar Guild of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Lansdowne.

A new Lectern Bible recently dedicated in the Church of the Epiphany, Germantown, is a memorial to Felix H. Ogle.

At St. Peter's Church, Germantown, a set of purple silk hangings has been given in memory of Joseph M. Shoemaker, a former vestryman, and a similar set in red silk in memory of Margaret Urwiler.

At Christ Church, Ridley Park, the following gifts have been blessed: two brass candle sticks for use at baptisms in memory of Virginia Mohr; pair of crystal cruets for Holy Eucharist, given by Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Reed; purple chasuble and maniple, given in thanksgiving; purple silk chalice veil given as a memorial by the Women's Club of the parish.

A lectern Bible has been given to The Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, in loving memory of Sarah Emma Doan. The interior of the church has been redecorated and new floors and extensive renovations have been done in the rectory.

At the Church of the Epiphany, Royersford, the brass has been refinished, the organ repaired, and the windows releaded.

At St. Stephen's Church, Norwood, new cruets have been given in memory of Elizabeth O'Niel Johnson and a lectern Bible in memory of Charles W. Twesten, Jr.

A small chapel has been established in the parish house of the Church of the Atonement, 47th Street and Kingessing Avenue, named St. Paul's Chapel, commemorating the name of the first congregation which held services on this site.

The Seaman's Church Institute was

named as one of three institutions to share a \$20,299 trust fund established under the will of the late Mary A. Combs.

Under the will of Miss Anna Randolph, who died in May, St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, is to receive a sum of \$1,000.

Miss Laura Eckerd, who died Nov. 1

at St. Anna's Home, 2016 Race Street, bequeathed \$500 to the Home and \$100 to St. Clement's Church.

A handmade lace frontal, given by a member of the congregation was blessed at St. Alban's Church, Newtown Square, on the second Sunday in Advent.

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IN GOD'S KEEPING

Sara Wright Given, a devoted member of the Altar Guild of Christ Church, Ridley Park, for many years, died on Nov. 3, 1952.

Miss Clara V. Jefferson, Parish Secretary of the Church of St. Simeon, Ninth and Lehigh Avenue, for the past twenty-seven years, was buried from this parish December 2. Active in the Sunday School, Woman's Auxiliary, Altar Society, North Philadelphia Convocation, Parish Aid Society, and wise counsellor to the poor and sorrowing, she will long be remembered for her character and consecrated devotion and competence.

Mr. Ralph Kinder, organist and choir-master of Trinity Memorial Church, 22nd and Spruce Streets, died Nov. 15 and was buried from that church on Nov. 18. Before this post, which he held for eleven years, he had a similar position at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 19th and Walnut Streets, from 1899 to 1937. He was buried in the church yard of St. Thomas Church, Whitmarsh.

Mrs. Gordon M. Jones, mother of the Rev. Gordon Jones of E. Lansing, Mich., died on Nov. 18.

Mr. Philip J. Breish, a former vestryman of the Church of the Holy Sacrament, Highland Park, died on Nov. 25 and was buried Nov. 29.

Mr. Joseph L. Bailey, long time a vestryman of the Church of the Holy Apostles and the Mediator, died on Dec. 2 and was buried from the church on Dec. 4.

Mr. Edward H. Newell, a vestryman of St. Paul's Church, Doylestown, died Dec. 1 and was buried from the church on Dec. 3, with interment in the church yard.

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